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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005 (the "Office Action"), filed on September 26, 2005 inadvertently failed to include a copy of a case discussed in the response. This supplemental response corrects that oversight and a copy of the relevant case is attached.

Claims are listed beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 10.

CONCLUSION

The references cited by the Office Action either do not mention polyurethane as an adhesive or mention it in passing. Only one reference actually discusses the properties of polyurethanes, but teaches away from their use as an adhesive by expressly noting that laminates comprising polyurethanes tended to peel apart. Notably, the reference does not mention polyurethanes as an adhesive, but rather as a layer in a two layer sandwich.

Thus, the cited art, alone or in combination discloses little about the polyurethanes as adhesives in laminated fabrics and the most detailed reference actually teaches away from such use. This is plainly insufficient to either provide a disclosure of all of the limitations of the claimed invention or to provide the required motivation to combine the cited art to make or maintain the tenuous rejections of the pending claims. Further, the Applicant's own disclosure has been relied upon rather than independent facts in making the rejections of the pending claims. This is clearly not permissible, as the applicable cases point out.

Therefore, all of the various arguments and grounds for the rejection of pending claims 1-47 have been overcome without introducing any new matter. It is respectfully requested that the application be allowed to proceed to allowance without further delay.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. In the event that any additional fee is required, please charge the required fee to JONES DAY Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

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